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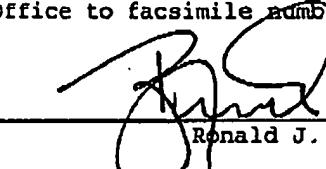
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 20, 2007**

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated July 20, 2007. A petition for a one month extension of the period for response to the Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the application as directed below and consider the remarks that follow.

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